

REMARKS

In the outstanding Office Action, claims 1-15 were rejected. In response, the independent claims 1, 4, 6, 8 and 14 have been amended. It is believed that the application is now in condition for allowance for the following reasons. The following remarks are generally organized in the same order as the remarks in the Office Action.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §102

Claims 1-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Casement et al. In response, the independent claims 1, 4, 5, 8 and 14 are currently amended with the additional limitation of at least one profile, which Casement does not teach or suggest.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §103

we believe that it would not be obvious to one skilled in the art to implement a ratings control system with profiles in the manner as now claimed because it is clear from the Casement reference that a universal lock and key combination was the expected paradigm when the present invention was conceived. Since the references do not teach or suggest the possible use of access control profiles, the combination of access control profiles with temporary override capability and store recall feature is not obvious. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that current claims are patentable over the cited references.

Conclusion

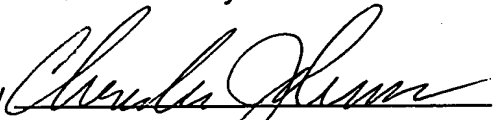
In view of the foregoing, it is believed that the Application is in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

It is believed that no additional fees or charges are currently due. However, in the event that any additional fees or charges are required at this time in connection with the application, they may be charged to applicant's Deposit Account No. 07-0832.

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